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INDIANA NUT NURSERY

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PRODUCER OF

High Grade Hardy Northern Nut Trees

My nursery is located in the heart of the northern pecan tree territory in a soil especially adapted to growing nut trees where they grow an unusually good root system, making them easy to transplant and quick to start growth.

Nut trees are the longest lived of all food producing trees, and once established require less care and attention than fruit trees, as they do not need to be sprayed and after the head of the tree is once formed little or no pruning is necessary.

Budded or grafted trees bear early. An orchard of them in a few years should come into profitable bearing, and will last for a century or more. Plant only budded or grafted trees of Hardy Northern varieties.

Planting a nut orchard is not a speculation, if the right kind of trees are planted, but an investment; one that will in a few years pay increasing annual dividends, not only to the planter but to future generations as well. It is just as much a mistake to buy the cheapest nut trees you can buy, as it is the cheapest article of clothing.

There are thousands of acres of land in each state, not producing enough to pay the taxes, that would return handsome profits if planted to nut trees.

As nut trees live so long and attain such a great size they should be planted very wide apart, so they may be grown on land that is to be annually cultivated to grain crops, and interfere very little with cultivation.

Nut tree planting should not be confined to orchards, they may be grown almost anywhere a tree is wanted, they make beautiful shade, and a few of them planted around the home serve the twofold purpose of shade and food.

Nuts are not perishable, and may be kept throughout the year without special care, neither do they have to be gathered promptly as do peaches or apples.

Nuts are no longer considered a luxury, but a staple article of food, and are used extensively by candy manufacturers, bakeries, ice cream companies, as well as in the home.

Delayed planting means delayed returns. A tree planted this year is always a year ahead of a tree planted a year later, and the difference is not the amount of the first, but always the amount of the last crop borne.

This being the natural home of the Hardy Northern Pecan Tree, my nursery stock is grown under natural conditions, giving them all the strength and vigor possible for a tree to have.

The soil in which my nursery is located is especially adapted to this, as it is underlaid with a strata of hard soil which discourages the downward growth of the tap root at a depth of about four feet, causing many lateral and feeder roots to develop near the surface that would not in a sandy or loose sub-soil. This gives my trees a superior system of lateral roots, making them easy to transplant and quick to start growth.

WHEN TO ORDER

Early ordering of trees is advised. Orders placed well in advance of shipping season, will be shipped on any date requested, weather permitting, while those placed during rush season are sent out in the order they are received.

A liberal discount will be allowed on advance orders, as these are a saving to me in advertising and correspondence during rush season.

Also by placing order in advance you are sure of being in time to get the size and varieties wanted, as later, stocks of some kinds are often exhausted.

WHEN TO PLANT

Nut trees may be planted either Spring or Fall. I usually start shipping in Spring as early in March as weather will permit and continue until about the first of May, though would advise those ordering, especially from south of here, to plant by middle of April.

Fall shipping starts as soon as leaves are off in October, and is continued until cold weather.

VARIETIES OF PECANS

MAJOR—Originated in Henderson County, Ky. Parent tree very large, prolific and an annual bearer. Nut medium to small, almost round, thin shell, plump kernel, of fine quality, splendid cracker. An ideal nut for the confectioner.

GREENRIVER—Originated in Henderson County, Ky. Parent tree very large and prolific, and is a very regular bearer. Nut of good size, plump kernel, of fine flavor, good cracker. A very desirable nut for home use, as well as a favorite for the market.

BUTTERICK—Parent tree stands near Grayville, Ill. This tree is very old and a prolific bearer. It is known to have been in bearing for more than one hundred years, in which time it is said to have missed only three crops. The nut is large, thin shell, plump kernel of good quality, a desirable variety in every way.

BUSSERON—Originated in Knox County, Ind. Parent tree, very old, and said to be one of the best

bearing trees in this section; nut large, of good quality, medium shell, splendid kernel.

INDIANA—Parent tree stands near the Busseron. Tree medium size, annual and very prolific bearer. The nut is very much the same as the Busseron in size and shape. Thin shell and good quality.

POSEY—Originated in Gibson County, Ind. Parent tree medium size, said to be regular bearer but not so prolific as some other varieties. Nuts very large, thin shell, and an excellent cracker.

PRICES OF PECAN TREES

(Budded or Grafted)

| | Each | Per 10 |
|-------------------|--------|---------|
| 2 to 3 feet | \$1.75 | \$16.50 |
| 3 to 4 feet | 2.00 | 18.50 |
| 4 to 5 feet | 2.25 | 21.00 |
| 5 to 7 feet | 2.50 | 22.50 |

(Write for prices on quantities)

HYBRID VARIETIES

(Cross between pecan and hickory)

McCALLISTER—Originated in Posey County, Ind. This variety is a cross between pecan and hickory. Nut is very large, having a pecan shaped kernel which comes out in whole halves, with flavor of both pecan and hickory. This is the largest nut of the pecan-hickory species being propagated.

BURLINGTON—Parent tree is near Burlington, Iowa. This is also a hybrid, as the McCallister, though the nut is not so large. Tree is said to be a regular and prolific bearer. Nut large, thin shell, quality of kernel good.

The McCallister and Burlington are both rapid growers, have large thick, dark green foliage, mental shade trees for lawn planting. smooth light gray bark, which makes them orna-

PRICE OF McCALLISTER AND BURLINGTON TREES

| | Each | Per 10 |
|-------------------|--------|---------|
| 2 to 4 feet | \$2.00 | \$17.50 |
| 4 to 6 feet | 2.50 | 22.50 |

BLACK WALNUT

The black walnut is found growing in many parts of the United States as a natural forest tree, and has always been considered so common that its true value as a food producing tree has been overlooked.

On account of the high value of walnut lumber for special purposes, much of the walnut timber has been cut in the past few years, which has greatly reduced the supply of nuts.

As the food value of walnuts is becoming better realized and the supply of nuts decreased, the price has greatly advanced.

With power machinery now being manufactured, both for hulling and cracking walnuts, which greatly reduces the cost of getting walnut kernels on the market, makes the future of growing these superior varieties a most promising industry.

The black walnut kernel is one of the richest of all nut kernels, and said to be the only one retaining its original flavor after being cooked. This nut has become very popular and is extensively used by bakers, candy makers and in ice cream parlors, as well as in the home.

STABLER—Parent tree in Maryland, Nut medium size, thin shell and excellent cracker. Quality of kernel good. Tree prolific bearer.

OHIO—Parent tree in Ohio. Nut medium size, much the same type as Stabler. Good cracker, with good quality kernel. Tree good and upright grower.

THOMAS—Parent tree in Pennsylvania. Nut large, thin shell, cracks good, has splendid flavored kernel. Tree is a fast and upright grower.

The varieties listed above are considered the best known by leading nut tree authorities.

PRICES OF ABOVE VARIETIES OF WALNUT TREES

(Budded or Grafted)

| | Each | Per 10 |
|-------------------|--------|---------|
| 2 to 3 feet | \$1.75 | \$16.50 |
| 3 to 4 feet | 2.00 | 18.50 |
| 4 to 5 feet | 2.25 | 21.00 |
| 5 to 7 feet | 2.50 | 22.50 |

(Write for prices on quantities)

GUARANTEE

All trees are guaranteed to be fresh stock, carefully dug and packed and delivered to transportation company in good condition; also to be true label, and should prove not to be, will on proper proof replace them, but will not be liable for further damages.

TERMS

For immediate shipment, cash with order; on orders booked, 50 per cent with order, balance due when stock is ordered shipped.

SHIPPING

Express shipments advised, and unless otherwise ordered all tree shipments will be made by express. Should size or variety ordered be exhausted, order will be filled with its nearest likeness in stock unless no substitution is stated in order.

COMPLAINTS

For errors, shortage of stock or other cause to be entertained must be made within five days of receipt of shipment.

REFERENCE

I am a member of the Northern Nut Growers' Association, and bank reference or list of satisfied customers will be sent on request.

IN CONCLUSION

A volume could be written on the merits of nut trees, but for convenience in mailing this has been briefly written, touching on only the more important points, as learned from my own experience and observation.

Any information not given herein will be gladly given on request.

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Every Tree Planter Should Plant Nut Trees